

Hello Julie,

I had the opportunity to sit in on two conference calls regarding the new MWELo draft. I truly appreciate the opportunity to give my feedback. I would like to echo the comments that were brought up regarding existing landscapes. In my profession, most of the work I do is redesign existing landscapes and turf removal projects. In all of my years designing, I have done very few plans that required permitting or plan reviews. The vast majority of the landscapes are old, not new. Especially since the existing irrigation technology is better, and more climate appropriate plants are available, the true water wasters are the old landscapes with old systems/high water use plants. I agree that the water saving requirements as listed on the current document should **include existing landscapes**. That is the only way that we will be making a real difference.

Thank you,

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